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CERTIFIED MAIL—RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Lynda Cecchetti
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Re: DON-NAVY-2017-007761; OGC Appeal #17-068

Dear Ms. Cecchetti:

You appealed from the May 23, 2017 action of the Initial Denial Authority (IDA), Commander, Portsmouth Naval Shipyard, on your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for records pertaining to a particular report of investigation, identified as AI #17-06. The IDA's action withheld the responsive records, citing FOIA Exemption 5.

After carefully considering your appeal, and as a result of discussions between personnel with the IDA and this office, I am remanding, by copy of this letter, your request to the IDA so that the IDA may reconsider its position on the withholding of the responsive records. If the IDA determines that part or all of the records are releasable, it will send them to you directly, subject to any applicable fees.

Please note that you may appeal to this office any future adverse determination made by the IDA to this Office. If you would like to inquire about the status of this remand, please contact the IDA directly.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "R. Zeigler", is written over a horizontal line.

Richard D. Zeigler
Assistant to the General Counsel (FOIA)